

	Portales Police Department Standard Operating Procedure & Policy	SOP #	101.01
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1700 N. Boston St. Portales NM, 88130	Limits of Authority	Effective Date	
(575) 356-4404	Oath of Office	Approval:	Pat Gallegos, Chief of Police

I. POLICY

All personnel, prior to assuming sworn status, must take and subsequently abide by an oath of office to enforce the law and to uphold the Constitution of the United States, the State of New Mexico and the ordinances of the City of Portales.

II. PURPOSE

The Oath of Office differentiates the Police Officer from the civilian. It imposes levels of accountability and responsibility on the officer that are not made of the general public.

III. FORMAT

The oath consists of:

OATH OF OFFICE

STATE OF NEW MEXICO }

COUNTY OF ROOSEVELT }

I, _____, having been appointed Police Officer for the City of Portales, County of Roosevelt, State of New Mexico, do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States and Constitution and laws of the State of New Mexico, and that I will faithfully and impartially discharge all the duties pertaining to my office to the best of my ability and belief:

SO HELP ME GOD.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this _____ day of _____, 20____ .

Magistrate Judge

By _____
Officer